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## RESPONSE

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This is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, and incorporates the conclusions of the summary mailed August 23, 2006, pertaining to a phone interview of August 15, 2006. Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited in view of the following amendments and remarks.